

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 599
By Henry

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Bobby C. Weeks.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Bobby C. Weeks of Winfield, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, in his seventy-two years of life, Mr. Weeks had many triumphs and many tribulations. From the triumph of his forty-nine years of marriage to his loving wife, to the trials of the cancer that ultimately claimed his life, Mr. Weeks displayed the unwavering characteristics of love, devotion, and determination that mark very few men, and make him unquestionably deserving of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, born October 1, 1933, in Winfield, Alabama, Mr. Weeks was a lifelong resident of Winfield; there he and his wife raised two loving children to adulthood and sent them off into the world armed with strong hearts, certain souls, and questing minds; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Winfield High School at age eighteen and a graduate of Belville State Community College at age sixty, Mr. Weeks worked for thirty-eight years for Winfield Cotton Mills; he was a member of the Winfield Cotton Mills Founders' Club and was specially recognized by the Fruit of the Loom company for his service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weeks was preceded in death by his parents, Nander Wheeler and Lillian Marie Dockery Weeks, and his only brother, Jimmy Ray Weeks; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weeks is survived by his wife, Cora Lee Eads Weeks, whose love, strength, and determination kept him strong when other men would have weakened; she stood at his side as he drew his final breaths; and

WHEREAS, he is also survived by their two children, Darlene Weeks Brown of Lake Mary, Florida, and Thomas Edward Weeks of Nashville, Tennessee; three grandchildren, Coral

Virginia Brown, Dulcy Jordan Brown, and Murphy Brock Weeks; and many other loving family members; and

WHEREAS, an ordained Deacon and member of the First Baptist Church of Winfield, Mr. Weeks's trials and tribulations are now over; he is now held in the loving arms of his Savior and there awaits reunion with his family; and

WHEREAS, we are comforted by the knowledge that this is not a goodbye to Mr. Weeks, but rather a good night; and

WHEREAS, we know that good night is a scary phrase to a child, because the child has not yet learned that good night always brings the promise of good morning to follow; and

WHEREAS, as children of God, we have no fear of the darkest night, because we have His promise of a good morning to come; and we know that on that bright and glorious Morning we will see Mr. Weeks again; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life and through his final battle with death, Mr. Weeks stood strong and served as an inspiration to all who knew him; he will truly be missed by all; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Bobby C. Weeks, reflecting with love upon his life, his character, and his commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our sincerest condolences to his wife, his family, and his friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final resolving clause omitted from such copy.